Call for Papers



ESA RN35 Getting Published Workshop for PhD Students

February 9, 2024 / Hybrid mode

The European Sociological Association's Research Network 35 "Sociology of Migration" is organizing a one-day "Getting Published" workshop for PhD students. The event will take place on February 9, 2024 in a hybrid mode: PhD students across Europe are invited to connect to a common online session in the morning and three workshops will be organized in the afternoon (Bochum, Milan, Paris). The morning session will provide the student participants with the journal editors' and authors' perspective to the publication process, whereas the afternoon workshop will consist of peer-to-peer feedback on work in progress and collective discussion on tricks of the trade of academic publication.

Rationale

The RN35 wishes to support its PhD members in getting published in the finest international journals in the field of sociology of migration and more broadly of migration studies. Although PhD students across the continent face an increasing incentive to publish in select English-language journals, depending on the country and academic environment they are set in, they are unequally equipped to succeed in the publication process. At the workshop, the RN board members and an external guest speakers will discuss the publication landscape, the journals' perspective, and the authors' experience to give the PhD students a clear picture of recommendable publication strategies and the course and outcomes of review processes. The aim is to prepare the students to choose appropriate publication outlets, to encourage them to aim high, and to improve the acceptance rate of submissions.

Eligibility

The morning workshop is open to PhD students in sociology and focusing on migration, based in European institutions. Students participating in the on-site the afternoon sessions (Bochum, Milan, Paris) are expected to be currently working on an article manuscript they are willing to share with the other workshop participants. They also commit to reading the papers of their fellow on-site workshop participants.

Registration

Students wishing to attend the online session only are invited to register to the event by sending an e-mail to Linda Haapajärvi (linda.haapajarvi@ehess.fr).

As for the afternoon sessions, we invite PhD students to identify the on-site event they wish to attend in person for the entire day and to submit a 300-word abstract of a previously unpublished paper by **November 30, 2023** to Linda Haapajärvi (linda.haapajarvi@ehess.fr). Each session can accept a maximum of 10 participants. The RN35 members will make the selection based on the scientific promise and merits of the abstract, and notify the candidates of their acceptance by mid December 2023. The workshop participants are expected to share an article manuscript (5.000-9.000 words) with the workshop organizers no later than two weeks prior to the event.

Tentative programme

Online workshop

9.30-9.45	Welcome words
9.45-11.15	What the journals are looking for? Editors' perspectives
11.15-12	How to get published? Author's experience
12-13	Q & A

*The online session will feature two guest speakers from two different journals in the field of migration studies. The speeches will allow for PhD students to understand what the journals are looking for in terms of theory and methods, article structure and language standards. The online session also connects the student participants with a junior researcher in the field who will share a recent experience of a publication process with concrete examples and address questions and concerns emerging from the workshop attendees.

On-site workshop (Bochum, Milan, Paris)

14.30-15.30 Peer-to-peer feedback on article manuscripts
15.30-16.00 Group discussion on insecurities and open questions
16.00-17.00 Online conclusive discussion (Bochum, Milan, Paris participants)

*In the afternoon, the student participants will be involved in group work following three modalities: peer-to-peer feedback sessions on previously shared papers, on-site group discussion, concluding collective discussion between the Bochum, Milan, ad Paris workshop participants.